

## *No. 13 - Inyo-Mono Integrated Regional Water Management Region*

### **Region Acceptance Process Summary**

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#### **General Description of Region**

The Inyo-Mono Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan has been under development since early 2008. The Inyo-Mono Regional Water Management Group (RWMG) consists of over 40 active agency participants together with 40 plus agencies on their mail contact list. The Inyo-Mono IRWM Region is unique in that only 1.7 percent of the land is privately owned and the predominant lands are owned by the Federal or State governments. The Region covers a large area from the Walker River watershed in the north to the Indian Wells Valley, Searles, Panamint, and Amargosa watersheds in the south. This Region is bordered by the California-Nevada Stateline to the east and the crest of the Sierra to the west. A few small overlaps of their Region boundary exist in the Devils Post Pile National Monument and Mammoth Mountain Ski areas, and Searles watershed. The Inyo-Mono IRWM Region has reached agreements with the neighboring IRWM Regions to work cooperatively in these overlapped areas.

The Inyo-Mono IRWM Region has reached agreement on the IRWM boundaries with all adjacent IRWM regions: Tahoe Sierra, Tuolumne-Stanislaus, Madera, Southern Sierra, Antelope Valley, and Mojave. The Inyo-Mono IRWM planning effort has pulled people from local public agencies, water management districts and water suppliers, federal and state agencies, Native American tribes, Disadvantaged Communities (DACs), and environmental groups to work together on water resources management concerns within the Region. Many DACs, such as Inyo County, and Native American tribes are located within the Inyo-Mono IRWM Region. The Inyo-Mono IRWM Region Planning Committee has conducted extensive outreach to DACs and tribes. Three tribe members are on the Plan Advisory Committee.

#### **Interview Conclusions- Approved**

No changes to this IRWM Region's boundaries are suggested by DWR.